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PATENT

REMARKS

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Applicant has amended the CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS to insert the relevant information regarding United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/068,907 (issued as United States Patent No. 6,752,977). The amendment now completes the references of this patent application, which could not be included at the time of filing of the Application.

No new matter is added by this amendment. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendment is proper subject matter for this response.

Applicant has inserted this language after receiving a telephone call from the Examiner earlier today (December 27, 2005). Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner call Applicant's attorney at the below listed number if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining problems.

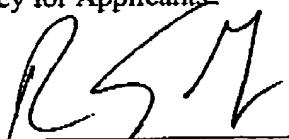
Applicant does not believe that any fee is due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficiency of payment of the necessary fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-2426 in the name of Winstead Sechrest & Minick P.C.

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